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Amend the bill in section 1 in §954-A by striking out all of subsection 1 and inserting the following:

1. Familial relationships; conflict of interest. A notary public may not perform a notarial act for a person if the notary public has a conflict of interest and that person is the notary public's:

- A. Spouse;
- B. Parent;
- C. Sibling;
- D. Child;
- E. Registered domestic partner as provided in Title 22, section 2710;
- F. Spouse's parent;
- G. Spouse's sibling;
- H. Spouse's child;
- I. Child's spouse;
- J. Registered domestic partner's parent;
- K. Registered domestic partner's sibling;
- L. Registered domestic partner's child;
- M. Registered domestic partner's child's spouse;
- N. Grandparent;
- O. Grandparent's spouse;
- P. Grandchild;
- Q. Grandchild's spouse;
- R. Registered domestic partner's grandparent;
- S. Registered domestic partner's grandparent's spouse;
- T. Registered domestic partner's grandchild; or
- U. Registered domestic partner's grandchild's spouse.

For purposes of this subsection, a conflict of interest exists if the notary public would foreseeably derive some pecuniary benefit from the execution of the document being notarized.'

SUMMARY

This amendment prohibits a notary public from performing a notarial act for a family member if the notary public would foreseeably derive some pecuniary benefit from the execution of the document being notarized.